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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

- In re Application of: John B. Fenn, et al

Serial No.

Filed: Concurrently

For: METHOD OF PRODUCING MULTIPLY CHARGED IONS AND
FOR DETERMINING MOLECULES WEIGHTS OF MOLECULES
BY USE OF THE MULTIPLY CHARGED IONS OF MOLECULES

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D. C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read as follows: --A COMPOSITION OF MATTER
OF A POPULATION OF MULTIPLY CHARGED IONS DERIVED FROM
POLYATOMIC PARENT MOLECULAR SPECIES--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the
following sentence:

--This is a divisional of application Serial No. 07/773,776, filed Oct. 10, 1991, now

A,
U.S. Patent No. 5,130,538 issuing July 14, 1992 which is a file wrapper continuation of
U.S. 07/683,105 filed April 10, 1991, which is a file wrapper continuation application of
Serial No. 07/354,393 filed May 19, 1989, both now abandoned.--

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